

EXPEDITED RULE MAKING

CR-105 (June 2004)

(Implements RCW 34.05.353)
EXPEDITED RULE MAKING ONLY

Agency: Department of Revenue

Title of rule and other identifying information: WAC 458-16A-135 (Senior citizen, disabled person, and one hundred percent disabled veteran exemption - Application procedures) explains when and how a senior citizen, disabled person, or one hundred percent disabled veteran may apply for a property tax exemption on that person's principal residence. WAC 458-16A-140 (Senior citizen, disabled person, and one hundred percent disabled veteran exemption -Exemption described -Exemption granted -Exemption denied -Freezing property values) explains how county assessors process a claimant's application form and what happens when the exemption is granted or denied by the assessor.

NOTICE

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Purpose of the proposal and its anticipated effects, including any changes in existing rules: WAC 458-16A-135 and WAC 458-16A-140 are being amended to conform to SSHB 3104 (chapter 6, Laws of 2008), SSB 5256 (chapter 182, Laws of 2008), SB 6338 (chapter 62, Laws of 2006), HB 1019 (chapter 248, Laws of 2005), SB 5034 (chapter 27, Laws of 2004), and SB 5758 (chapter 53, Laws of 2003). SSHB 3104 extended the rights and liabilities of spouses under RCW 84.36.381 to domestic partners. SSB 5256 changed the calculation for excluding veteran's benefits from the income calculation for the senior citizen, disabled person, and one hundred percent disabled veteran exemption. SB 6338 changed the definition of "residence" for purposes of the senior citizen, disabled person, and one hundred percent disabled veteran exemption. HB 1019 extended the former senior citizen and disabled person exemption to veterans of the armed forces of the United States with one hundred percent service connected disability. SB 5034 raised income and valuation limits for qualifying for the senior citizen and disabled person exemption; increased the circumstances under which claimants may qualify for the exemption without residing in their residences; added a definition for "disability"; and added additional deductions for the purpose of calculating "disposable income." SB 5758 clarified language related to gender and perjury in RCW 84.36.387.

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Reasons supporting proposal: To recognize legislative changes since 2003

Statutory authority for adoption: RCW 84.36.383, 84.36.389, and 84.36.865.		Statutes being implemented: RCW 84.36.381 through RCW 84.36.389	
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